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The TATLER.

By *Iſaac Bickerſtaff* Eſq;

—— *Veniet Manus, Auxilio quæ*
Sit mihi —— —— Hor.

From *Thurſday September* 21. to *Saturday September* 23. 1710.

From my own Apartment, September 22.

A MAN of Buſineſs who makes a publick Entertainment, may ſometimes leave his Gueſts, and beg them to divert themſelves as well as they can till his Return. I ſhall here make uſe of the ſame Privilege, (being engaged in Matters of ſome Importance relating to the Family of the *Bickerſtaffs*) and muſt deſire my Readers to entertain one another till I can have Leiſure to attend them. I have therefore furniſhed out this Paper, as I have done ſome few others, with Letters of my ingenious Correſpondents, which I have Reaſon to believe will pleaſe the Publick, as much as my own more elaborate Lucubrations.

SIR, *Lincoln, Sept.* 9.

'I Have long been of the Number of your Admirers, and take this Opportunity of telling 'you ſo. I know not why a Man ſo fam'd for 'Aſtrological Obſervations may not be alſo a good 'Caſuiſt, upon which Preſumption 'tis I ask your 'Advice in an Affair that at preſent puzzles quite 'that ſlender Stock of Divinity I am Maſter of. I 'have now been ſome Time in Holy Orders, and 'Fellow of a certain College in one of the Uni'verſities; but weary of that unactive Life, I re'ſolve to be doing Good in my Generation. A 'worthy Gentleman has lately offer'd me a fat 'Rectory, but means, I perceive, his Kinſwoman 'ſhould have the Benefit of the Clergy. I am a 'Novice in the World, and confeſs, it ſtartles me 'how the Body of Mrs. *Abigail* can be annexed to 'Cure of Souls. Sir, would you give us in one 'of your *Tatlers* the Original and Progreſs of 'Smock-Simony, and ſhew us, that where the 'Laws are ſilent, Men's Conſciences ought to be ſo 'to; you could not more oblige our Fraternity of 'young Divines, and among the reſt,

Your Humble Servant,
High-Church.

I am very proud of having a Gentleman of this Name for my Admirer, and may ſome Time or other write ſuch a Treatiſe as he mentions. In the mean Time I do not ſee why our Clergy, who are very frequently Men of good Families, ſhould be reproached, if any of them chance to eſpouſe a Hand-Maid with a Rectory in *Commendam*, ſince the beſt of our Peers have often joined themſelves to the Daughters of very ordinary Tradeſmen upon the ſame valuable Conſiderations.

Honoured Sir, *Globe* in *Moorfields, Sept.* 16.

'I Have now finiſhed my Almanack for the next 'Year, in all the Parts of it except that which 'concerns the Weather; and you having ſhewn 'your ſelf, by ſome of your late Works, more 'Weather-wiſe than any of our modern Aſtrologers, I moſt humbly preſume to trouble you upon this Head. You know very well, that in 'our ordinary Almanacks the Wind and Rain, 'Snow and Hail, Clouds and Sun-ſhine, have 'their proper Seaſons, and come up as regularly 'in their ſeveral Months as the Fruits and Plants 'of the Earth. As for my own Part, I freely own 'to you, that I generally ſteal my Weather out of 'ſome antiquated Almanack, that foretold it ſeveral Years ago. Now, Sir, what I humbly beg of 'you is, that you would lend me your State 'Weather-Glaſs, in order to fill up this vacant 'Column in my Works. This, I know, would 'ſell my Almanack beyond any other, and make 'me a richer Man than *Poor Robin*. If you will not 'grant me this Favour, I muſt have Recourſe to my 'old Method, and will copy after an Almanack 'which I have by me, and which I think was made 'for the Year when the great Storm was. I am,

SIR,
The moſt humble of
Your Admirers,
T. Philomath.

This Gentleman does not conſider, what a ſtrange Appearance his Almanack would make to the Ignorant, ſhould he tranſpoſe his Weather, as he muſt do did he follow the Dictates of my Glaſs. What would the World ſay to ſee Summers filled with Clouds and Storms, and Winters with Calms and Sun-ſhine, according to the Variations of the Weather, as they might accidentally appear in a State Barometer? But let that be as it will, I ſhall apply my own Invention to my own Uſe; and if I do not make my Fortune by it, it will be my own Fault.

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The next Letter comes to me from another Self-intereſſed Solicitor.

Mr. *Bickerſtaff*,

'I Am going to ſet up for a Scrivener, and have 'thought of a Project which may turn both to 'your Account and mine. It came into my Head 'upon reading that learned and uſeful Paper of 'yours concerning Advertiſements. You muſt underſtand, I have made my ſelf Maſter in the 'whole Art of Advertizing, both as to the Stile 'and the Letter. Now if you and I could ſo manage it, that no Body ſhould write Advertiſements beſides my ſelf, or print them any where 'but in your Paper, we might both of us get 'Eſtates in a little Time. For this End I would 'likewiſe propoſe, that you ſhould enlarge the 'Deſign of Advertiſements, and have ſent you 'Two or Three Samples of my Work in this Kind, 'which I have made for particular Friends, and 'intend to open Shop with. The Firſt is for a 'Gentleman who would willingly marry, if he 'could find a Wife to his Liking; the Second is 'for a poor Whig who is lately turned out of his 'Poſt; and the Third for a Perſon of a contrary 'Party, who is willing to get into one.

WHereas *A. B.* next Door to the *Peſtle and Mortar*, being about 30 Years old, of a ſpare Make, with dark-coloured Hair, bright Eye, and a long Noſe, has Occaſion for a good-humoured, tall, fair, young Woman, of about 3000 *l.* Fortune; theſe are to give Notice, That if any ſuch young Woman has a Mind to diſpoſe of her ſelf in Marriage to ſuch a Perſon as the above-mentioned, ſhe may be provided with a Husband, a Coach and Horſes, and a proportionable Settlement.

C. D. deſigning to quit his Place, has great Quantities of Paper, Parchment, Ink, Wax, and Wafers, to diſpoſe of, which will be ſold at very reaſonable Rates.

E. F. a Perſon of good Behaviour, Six Foot high, of a black Complexion and ſound Principles, wants an Employ. He is an excellent Penman and Accomptant, and ſpeaks *French*.

Errata *in the laſt* Tueſday's; *Col.* 2. *Line* 25. *for* magiſterical, *read* magiſterial.

In the laſt; *Col.* 1. *L.* 31. *after* love him, *read* as I know he does me. *Col.* 2. *L.* 26. *for* ingenious, *read* ingenuous. *Col.* 3. *L.* 21. *for* born, *read* made.

Advertiſements.

MOrning Gowns for Men and Women, of Silk, Stuffs, and Callicoes (being the Goods of Perſons that failed) which were to be diſpoſed of at the Olive-Tree and Still, are now to be ſold at the Golden Sugar-Loaf up one Pair of Stairs, over againſt the Horſe at Charing-Croſs; with a freſh Parcel at very low Rates, the Price being ſet on each Gown.

NOtice is hereby given by the Agent for the Captors, That there will be expoſed to Sale on Tueſday the 3d of October next, at Lloyd's Coffee-houſe in Lombard-ſtreet, at 4 in the Afternoon (only one Cask in a Lot) viz. 57 Hhds and 4 Tearſes of new Prize French Pontac Clarets, bright, ſtrong, and freſh, of the right Flavour, and the beſt that has been brought into England for many Years paſt; deſigned for the French Generals in Flanders, but was taken by an Engliſh Man of War; now in a Vault under the late Dwelling-houſe of Mr. Pym, the Corner of Warer-lane in Tower-ſtreet. To be taſted on Saturday the 30th Inſtant, and Monday the 2d of October, from 7 to 1, and from 2 till 6, and all Tueſday till the Hour of Sale. Catalogues will be timely diſperſ'd by Tho. Tomkins, Broker.

*** On Wedneſday next will be publiſh'd for the Month of Auguſt, Atlas Geographus; or, A Compleat Syſtem of Geography, Ancient and Modern, with above 100 new Maps, and as many Cuts, by the beſt Artiſts. This 28th for Auguſt finiſhes Italy, Sicily, the Morea, and greateſt Part of Hungary, with 3 large Maps, viz. of Sicily, Græcia Antiqua, Hungary, with Sanſon's Table of Hungary. Printed by John Nutt in the Savoy, and ſold by John Morphew near Stationers-Hall. Where may be had the 27 preceding Months: Note, Bibliotheca Anatomica, &c. for September, is now publiſhed; this being the 11th, which may be had at the ſame Place. Price 1 s. each.

FOR Sale by the Candle, on Thurſday the 27th Inſtant, at Southampton, at 10 in the Morning, by Mr. John Barbot, &c. Merchants, viz. 60 Hhds. of neat, deep, ſtrong, French Claret, imported from Guernſey the 25th of Aug. laſt; 8 Tuns of new fine Red Viana, made up ſtrong and deep with new Alicant one third (either in Pipes or Hhds; 2 Tuns of neat Red Viana, in Pipes; 4000 Weight of fine Muſcovado Sugar; and 500 Weight of Cocoa-Nuts, Prize Goods; lying in Cellars in the High-ſtreet of that Town. All to be ſeen on Tueſday and Wedneſday before the Sale, from 7 to 1, and from 2 to 6, and all Thurſday till the Hour of Sale. Catalogues to be had at the ſame Place.

FOR Sale by the Candle, on Thurſday the 5th of October next, at Garraway's Coffee-houſe in Exchange-Alley, at Four in the Afternoon (only one Cask in a Lot) viz. 55 Hhds. and 8 half Hhds of excellent French (Margaux and Orion) Clarets, deep, bright, ſtrong, and of the true Flavour, neat and entire, perfect fine, and fit for Bottling. Catalogues thereof ſhall be timely diſperſed, by Tho. Tomkins, Broker, in Seething-lane, between Tower-ſtreet and Crouched-Fryars.

MR. Stocton's Sale of Jewels, Plate, &c. at the Bell in Henrietta-ſtreet, Covent, Garden, will be drawn on Michaelmas-Day in the great Room at the Duke of Marlborough's Head in Fleetſtreet, by Pariſh-Boys, and out of Wheels. Any Gentlemen or Ladies concern'd may have the Liberty of ſeeing the Prizes mixed with the Blanks, and ſealing up the Wheels. The remaining Tickets are to be diſpoſed, at 2 s. each Ticket, at the ſaid Mr. Stocton's, at Mr. Amſon's at the Gold Ring at the Corner of Salisbury-Court, Fleetſtreet; at Mrs. Marriot's Houſe in New-ſtreet, Fetter-lane; and at Mr. Marriot's at the White Hart in the Poultry. Note, This Sale is drawn at the D. of Marlborough's Head at the Requeſt of ſeveral Adventurers, and for their Convenience.

THE famous Cholick Water, ſo often publiſhed in the Gazette, well known throughout the Kingdom of Great Britain, for its ſpeedy Relief in Caſes of Wind in the Stomach; Wind Cholick, Vapours of both Kinds, Stitches, Pains in the Sides, Vomiting or Looſneſs, and all other Indiſpoſitions and Weakneſs of Stomach and Bowels, immediately digeſting any Thing that offends; is continued to be ſold (as it hath been theſe 10 Years) at Old-mans Coffee-houſe at Charing-croſs, Richard's at Temple-bar, Alice's at the Parliament-Houſe, and at Mr. Clark's Stationer in Burchin-lane, at 2 s. 6 d. a Bottle. 'Tis not purging but a rich Cordial, pleaſant to take at any Time.

MRs. Honeyman, Milliner, in Hungerford-Market, her Twelvepenny Sale of Goods that was to be drawn the 25th Inſtant, is put off till the 29th Inſtant. Some Tickets being ſtill to be diſpoſed of, all Perſons are deſired to take them out in Time. The Goods are to be ſeen at the Place aforeſaid.

MR. Guthridge's Sixpenny Sale of Goods, at the Top-ſhop over-againſt Norfolk-ſtreet in the Strand, of all Prizes, continues: put in your Money, and draw your Ticket, and take your Prize with you. TheGoods are, a Silver Watch, Silver Handled Knives and Forks, a Pearl Necklace, a Gold Ring, a Silver Dram-Cup, 12 Pair of Mother of Pearl Ear-Rings, 100 Lots of Silver Snuff Spoons, Silver Tea and Sale Spoons, Fans, Ribands, Edgings, Necklaces, and other Goods of Value.

MRs. Holt's Sale of Goods, conſiſting of Plate of conſiderable Value, being near full, is to be drawn on Tueſday Sevennight, at the Stone-cutters in Downing-ſtreet, Weſtminſter, by Nine in the Morning. Tickets to be had, at 1 s. each, at Gram's Coffee-houſe in Channel-row, Weſtminſter; the Golden-Cup, Silverſmith, in Shandois-ſtreet; and at the Three-Kings, a Dyer, in Great Drury-lane.

ONE Hundred Pound for Half a Crown, or Propoſals for ſeveral Prizes, by Mr. William Morris, a fine Diamond Croſs ſet tranſparent, with a Button all Brilliants, Plate, Atlaſes, one Silk, ſix Silk Night-Gowns, and ſeveral other valuable Things. It is propoſed to deliver out by Subſcription Two thouſand five hundred Tickets, in which there is 177 Prizes, the higheſt 100 l. the loweſt 11 s. and 13 Blanks to a Prize. Tickets to be had at Mrs. Pinkney's, Milliner, in Taviſtock-ſtreet, next to the Cheeſemonger's in Southampton-ſtreet in Bedford-Buildings; Mr. Andrew's, Glover, at the Ball and Glove in Charles-court in the Strand, near York-Buildings; Mr. Green in Cary-lane near Goldſmiths-Hall; Mr. Barnard, Glover ſeller, at Mr. Tompion's the Corner of Water-lane, Fleet-ſtreet; Mr. Stokoe, Bookſeller, at the Key and Bible againſt the Mews-Gate, Charing-Croſs. Note, The Goods are to be ſeen at Mr. Andrew's aforeſaid, and to be drawn on Michaelmas-Day next, out of Two Wheels by Two Pariſh-Boys, at the Great Room in York-Buildings: And if not drawn, the Money to be returned.

Sold by *John Morphew* near *Stationers-Hall*; where Advertiſements are taken in.